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THE FOLLOWING LETTER TO DR. CURRIE FROM MR. EBERHARD (FRG MOD)
WAS PASSED TO THE MISSION ON 20 AUG 1976 FOR FORWARDING.
BEGIN TEXT.

DEAR MAL

FOR YEARS NOW WE HAVE ATTEMPTED IN CNAD TO REDUCE THE NUMBER
OF WORKING GROUPS AND TO ADAPT THEM TO PRIORITIES. THE
NADREP'S WILL PRESENT MORE PROPOSALS ON THIS SUBJECT TO THE
NEXT CNAD.

FIRST OF ALL AND IN PARTICULAR, HOWEVER, I AM CONCERNED ABOUT
THE LENGTH AND PLACE OF THE MEETINGS. IT IS NO LONGER POSSIBLE
FOR ALL OF THE PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES TO HAVE UNLIMITED
NUMBERS OF DELEGATES PARTICIPATE. COMPARED WITH THE NUMBER OF
TASKS TO BE ACCOMPLISHED THERE IS BUT A LIMITED NUMBER
OF STAFF AND A VERY LIMITED AMOUNT OF BUDGETARY FUNDS
AVAILABLE. IN THE DISCUSSION AT OUR LAST MEEETING I SUG-
GESTED THAT INFORMATION EXCHANGE MEETINGS SHOULD NOT
EXCEED TWO DAYS. THREE DAYS SHOULD ONLY BE ALLOWED FOR
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PROJECTS FOR WHICH IT COULD BE DEFINITELY PROVED THAT
TWO DAYS WERE INSUFFIEIENT FOR THEIR FULL DISCUSSION.
AS A RULE, THE MEETINGS SHOULD BE HELD IN BRUSSELS.
DEVIATIONS FROM THESE RULES IN THE DURATION AND PLACE

OF MEETING WOULD HAVE TO BE JUSTIFIED IN THE INVITATION.
MY STAFF AND THE GERMAN SERVICE STAFFS HAVE BEEN
INSTRUCTED TO ACT ON THESE LINES, AND I SHOULD BE
GRATEFUL, IF YOU IN YOUR TURN COULD ACT ACCORDINATLY.
I DECIDED TO ASK YOU IN WRITING TO ADOPT THIS COURSE-
OF-ACTION SINCE THE LAST CNAD DECISION SHEETS DID NOT
CONTAIN ANY REFERENCE TO THIS PROPOSAL.
ANY OBJECTIONS AGAINST TWO DAYS' MEETINGS THAT MIGHT
BE RAISED BY REMOTE COUNTRIES WHOSE DELEGATES HAVE A
LONG JOURNEY TO AND FROM THE MEETINGS MIGHT BE ALLAYED
BY THE POSSIBILITY OF COMBINING TWO OF THE TWO DAYS'
MEETINGS SCHEDULED IN ANY ONE YEAR IN ONE THREE DAYS'
MEETING.

I WOULD BE VERY APPRECIATIVE IF YOU COULD SEE YOUR WAY
TO ACCEPT THE COURSE-OF-ACTION OUTLINED ABOVE.

YOURS SINCERELY,
(SIGNED EBERHARD)
END TEXT.STREATOR

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